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AMEMBASSY BUENOS AIRES

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E.O. 11652:
TAGS:
SUBJECT:

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UNHCR Buenos Aires denies Chilean Communists traveled to Argentina

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ACTION:

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AMEMBASSY SANTIAGO

ARGENTINA PROJECT (S200000044)

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Margaret P. Grafeld, Director

(X) Release () Excise () Deny

Exemption(s):

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UNHCR rep in Buenos Aires told Emboff Jan 31 that none of the Communist leaders listed in para 5 of reftel A has traveled to Argentina. He was aware of the Chilean version of the departure of three of them on the dates mentioned in reftel B, but denied that any of them ever arrived in Argentina. Rep added that Bernardo Araya, age 65, and his wife Maria Olga Flores, age 63, were kidnapped with their grandchildren, ages 15 and 9, and that the grandchildren who were later released were so traumatized by the treatment of their grandparents that they are seeking asylum outside Chile. He added that the grandparents never reappeared. Embassy has no other independent information with which to evaluate or confirm that provided by UNHCR rep.

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